

NO RUTH IN THE REPORT

The Business Men of Helena do Not Feel Uneasy About a Few Failures.

Larger Amount of Exchange Last Month Than Ever Before in Helena.

Montana More Prosperous Now Than It Has Been and Confidence in the Future.

Special Dispatch to the Missoulian.

HELENA, Oct. 8.—Quite a large number of business failures have occurred in this city during the past few days, and merchants and business men generally, are a little anxious over the state of trade.

Some irresponsible person sent the above dispatch to the Missoulian from Helena when there is no existing state of affairs to warrant anything of the kind. There have been but few failures in Helena during the past year, and those that have occurred were not serious. As one business man remarked yesterday, "the father of that dispatch evidently ate a mince pie before going to bed, and suffering from indigestion all night arose in the morning angry at himself and the world and vented his spleen over the wires."

To ascertain the status of trade a member of business men were seen yesterday, and the testimony of a few will show the author of the dispatch knew nothing about what he wrote or was actuated by some petty motive known as getting even.

Mr. Aaron Hershfield, of the Merchants National bank, when shown the dispatch, said there was nothing in it at all. It was as absurd as anything he had ever read. If merchants and business men were at all anxious over the state of trade he had heard nothing about it, and he was certainly in a position to know. Such reports would injure Helena, and he could not understand why any one should wish to do that.

E. D. Edgerton, of the Second National bank, said there was really nothing to justify such a statement. The rates were good, as good if not better than they had ever been. Montana, and especially Helena, was prosperous. Large amounts of money had been loaned at good rates, and he was positive more could have been placed. Not only have the banks made a great many loans at a good rate of interest, but real estate men and loan agencies have placed large amounts on Helena real estate, showing that capitalists have all confidence in the solidity and future prosperity of Helena. Everything in the territory, as far as he knew, was in good shape.

Hon. E. W. Knight of the First National bank, said there was a larger amount of exchange than ever before. Merchants are making remittances at least one month earlier than they have been in the habit of doing and the amounts are large. Leading merchants' affairs are in a healthy, thrifty condition. There was no reason to anticipate any discouraging state of affairs. He did not believe the drouth during the past season would have any great effect, but it was reasonable that its depressing influences would be felt to some extent. A great deal of money had been loaned at good rates and if people were willing to loan their money on Helena property it showed that they had confidence in our city.

R. T. Gaines, manager of Dunn's Mercantile agency, is a careful, conservative man. He said, while it was true there had been a few failures in Helena there was no occasion for alarm. Merchants over the territory had bought lighter this year than for some time, but this was due to the drouth and showed nothing more than prudence on their part. Knowing that trade would be light they simply did not buy as heavily as they have heretofore. He knew of no failure in Helena that had not been expected for six months before it occurred. While the volume of business was not as good as it had been, money was plentiful and rates good. The solid business men were as solid as they ever were before.

Herbert B. Reed, manager of Bradstreet's mercantile agency, said there had not been a legitimate failure in Helena during the past year. There had been several failures, but the men who failed either had no money to begin business with or had done business with borrowed money. If a man commenced business with \$500 and failed for several thousand and had done a legitimate business it went to show that he had simply overstocked himself. He knew of two cases of that kind. They could not be called legitimate business. Another man took all his money out of his business and put it in something else. He simply did not have money to continue both businesses. Another man commenced business with nothing and at the end of a year found that he had about \$3,000 in his books. He simply had not shown good business capacity, had trusted right and left where he should have shown some judgment, and failure was the natural result.

The opinions of the gentlemen quoted were the opinions of quite a number of others, who consider Montana, and especially Helena, as prosperous, and not only prosperous, but on the eve of greater prosperity. There was no reason why any such dispatch as that published in the Missoulian should be sent out from Helena.

Ladies should call at Fred Gamers' and get a pair of slippers, as he is selling them at a very low figure.

Wants to do Right.

Mrs. N. J. Bradley, No. 133 West Madison street, Chicago, writes the INDEPENDENT a letter which will be of interest to her friends in Helena. She says she understands the people near the Northern Pacific depot in Helena, want to find where she is in order to compel her to take care of her children. She says the reason she left Helena was because she thought she could do better in Chicago, secure work for her boys and put her girls at school. She intends to send for her children as soon as she can raise the money. She met with an accident shortly after reaching Chicago or she would have been able to send for them before this.

The Helena Marble Works, lower Main street, Smith & Gosselin, props., have just received two carloads of rough marble and granite from the quarries in the country which they intend to manufacture into all the latest styles of cemetery work. All work will be executed in the most artistic style and at eastern prices.

Alleged Breach of Contract.

Frank L. Ide has brought suit against Dr. J. J. Leiser to compel him to live up to an alleged contract. Mr. Ide says in his complaint that the doctor bonded to him a certain piece of property near the Broadwater springs for \$1,000, and afterwards extended the bond for fifteen days. Before the expiration of the time, as alleged by Mr. Ide, he called upon Dr. Leiser and proffered the sum agreed upon, which was refused, hence the suit.

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Mrs. Leyson, the medium and mental physician at Penn Block. Take your pictures and ores and see what she can do with them. She is one of the greatest mind readers of the day.

THE BODY IDENTIFIED.

A School Teacher With Relatives in Minnesota and Dakota.

The inquest over the dead body of the man who suddenly died at the International hotel Thursday evening, was concluded last night, the verdict being that death was due to long standing disease, probably consumption. In his trunk were found a number of papers which identify him. He was a Norwegian and a school teacher. He carried a paper giving the date and place of his birth, which was January 22, 1862, at the town of Tvedt, Norway. His name was John Olson Donestad Berlie. He also carried naturalization papers, which were issued to him in Rice county, Minnesota. He had been in correspondence with a Mr. Soli, of Butte, who is in the employ of the Montana Central. His sister, Miss Maren Berlie, is a school teacher at Fox Lake, Minn., and another teacher, Miss Edith Erickson, of Stillwater, has been in correspondence with him. The home of the deceased is at Minot, Dakota, for which point he was destined. All the persons mentioned have been notified of the occurrence either by telegraph or mail by Coroner Follett.

The remains were interred yesterday afternoon at the county's expense.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

There is a small fire in the mountains about seven miles southeast of the city in Jefferson county.

There were seventy-three new arrivals at the Grand Central yesterday and about 100 at the other hotels of the city.

Judge Howey yesterday issued an order confirming the sale of the real estate of N. B. Rand by the administrator, Moses Morris.

Little Lillie Loasby, daughter of Conductor Loasby, of the Northern Pacific, was bitten in the arm last night by a dog which was engaged in a fight. She is not seriously hurt.

John Flick and Louis Blanchet engaged in a fight over \$2 worth of chips in the Capitol last night, and both were arrested. The scuffle cost them \$25, as they both furnished bail to that amount.

A party of Helena people numbering about twenty-five, went up to Marysville last night on a Northern Pacific special to attend the hop and supper given by the Drum Lumber Mess club.

It was reported yesterday that a bond had been secured by a syndicate on some mining ground at Marysville, located between the Drum Lumber and the Empire. Half of the Empire was sold last spring for \$40,000 to the Montana company, limited.

The new street car line beginning at Broadway and running along Warren street and the east side will begin business this morning. Two small cars have been received from the Stevenson Car company and last night a car load of horses were received from Moreland.

Articles of incorporation of the Belt Mountain Mining company were filed with the territorial secretary yesterday. Capital stock, \$1,000,000; divided into 1,000,000 shares at \$1 each. Lee Smith, Maggie Wetzel, John G. Lilly, James P. Lewis and George W. Taylor are incorporators.

W. A. Kirkham was yesterday made general superintendent of the motor line. Mr. Kirkham has been with the company several months in lesser capacities and has made a host of friends who are now congratulating him over his promotion. President Edgerton made the appointment. Harry Palmer retires.

Views of Hotel Broadwater and baths, city of Helena, public buildings, National Park and Montana scenery at The Bee Hive.

PERSONAL.

Dr. Bullard of Wickes was in town yesterday.

Dr. C. F. Missigod, of Warm Springs, is at the Cosmopolitan.

Albion Hall, register of the Miles City land office, is in the city.

W. R. Pearson and wife, of St. Louis, are guests of the Cosmopolitan.

J. B. Risque, superintendent of the Bimmettallic, is at the Cosmopolitan.

Wm. H. Ames and wife, of St. Paul, and A. W. Glover of New York, are at the Grand Central.

Jas. A. Murray, W. J. Penrose and A. F. McMillan of Butte are registered at the Cosmopolitan.

Miss Sylvia Thorne and I. Martinette, of the "City Directory" company, are at the Merchants.

G. M. Johnson, a rancher from the Sun River country, is in town purchasing his winter supplies.

Charlie Reed and ten members of his "City Directory" company are domiciled at the Grand Central.

W. A. Clark, of Madison; W. C. Morris, Bozeman, and W. J. Ennis, of Ennis, M. T., are at the Merchants.

L. J. Strong, of New York, W. A. Brigham, of Toledo, and P. O. Weeks, of Chicago, are registered at the Cosmopolitan.

G. M. Stockslager, ex-commissioner of the General Land office arrived from Washington yesterday and is at the Grand Central.

John Duffy and D. J. Hubbard leave tomorrow via the Northern Pacific, the former going to Syracuse and the latter to Chicago.

Misses Sadie Kirby, Ollie Archmere, Carrie Howard, Harry Standish and Charles Halstead, of the Russell Farce Comedy company, are staying at the International.

H. K. Lyon of Kansas City, formerly with the Kansas City Times, and Charles Clayton of Hannibal, Mo., are in the city, and gave the INDEPENDENT a pleasant call yesterday.

Arthur W. Ford, Great Falls; F. Freeman, Livingston; C. M. Webster, A. H. Danforth, Great Falls; C. W. Myers and Jos. Hopkins, Miles City; Will Ten Eyck, Boulder, and J. Glenson of Wolf Creek, are at the Grand Central.

Commendable.

All claims not consistent with the high character of Syrup of Figs are purposely avoided by the California Fig Syrup company. It acts gently on the kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the system effectually, but it is not a cure-all and makes no pretensions that every bottle will not substantiate.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers were filed for record yesterday with County Clerk and Recorder Tooker:

Moses Morris, administrator, to Wallace & Thornburgh, lots 9 and 10, block 54, Helena townsite. \$2,100

Franklin R. Wallace et ux, and A. M. Thornburgh to Waring P. Carrington, lots 9 and 10, block 54, Helena townsite. 2,300

Samuel Hinchcliff to Moses Hinchcliff, mining claim in Fool Hen mining district 50

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FOR SALE.

160 ACRES OF IMPROVED LAND AND \$2,000 cash to exchange for merchandise or hardware. John S. Miller, Union Block, Helena, Montana.

A FIRST-CLASS 12-HORSE POWER AUTOMATIC engine will be sold at a bargain. Enquire at this office.

160 ACRES OF IMPROVED LAND TO EXCHANGE for house and lot in Helena. John S. Miller, Union Block, Helena, Mont.

RANCH WITH HOUSE, STABLE, CORRAL and sheds, 60 tons of hay, agricultural implements, making a very good grazing land for sheep or any stock at reasonable price. Address P. O. Box 953, Helena.

160 ACRES IMPROVED LAND TO EXCHANGE for horses, sheep or cattle. John S. Miller, Union Block, Helena, Mont.

OLD PAPERS AT THIS OFFICE.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

A GIRL TO ASSIST IN LIGHT HOUSE, work and mind baby. Humphrey, 545 Eighth avenue.

LADIES LEAVE YOUR ORDERS AND GIRLS leave your name and address at the Capital Employment Office, headquarters for first-class places and help, 312 Lawrence street.

A SERVANT GIRL, ABOUT SIXTEEN YEARS old. Call at 605 Hillside street.

LADY TO HANDLE THE DELMONICO COOK Book. Handsome incomes being made by those now at work on it. Five hundred thousand copies will be sold. Liberal terms to good party. Address for particulars, Charles L. Webster & Co., Minneapolis, Minn. Send for canvasser's catalogue.

LADY AGENTS WANTED FOR MY WONDERFUL NEW RUBBER UNDERWEAR. Grandest invention for women ever seen. Mrs. H. F. Little, Chicago.

LADY AGENTS FOR CHILD'S REFORM Waists: Skirt-Bustle Substitute, Baby Diaper Supporter, etc. New goods. Our agent at Austin, Minn., made \$75 in ten days. Ladies Supply Co., 257 Washington street, Chicago.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

IMMEDIATELY, BRICKLAYERS TO WORK on the O'Rourke building in Butte; wages \$7 per day.

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CLIMBERS and WIREMEN on BOTH ELECTRIC light and telephone work in Spokane Falls. Apply to W. S. Norman, Spokane Falls.

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SITUATIONS WANTED.

Advertisements under this head three times FREE.

SITUATION AS SICK NURSE OR HOUSE-keeper; 16 years experience; willing to travel. Address B, this office.

A SITUATION AS CLERK BY A YOUNG MAN willing to work; No. 1 references. Address R. B. Independent.

POSITION BY THOROUGHLY COMPETENT woman cook in hotel or mining camp. Address Cook, this office.

BY YOUNG LADY, CLERKING; FIRST-CLASS recommendation. Address Minneapolis, Independent Office.

ANYONE IN NEED OF HELP CALL AT Shannon's Employment and Collection Agency, Room 9, Galen Block.

SEWING IN PRIVATE FAMILIES BY DAY. No. 5 North Davis street, in basement.

POSITION BY LADY AS COPYIST OR TO keep small set of books, or as assistant book-keeper. Address M. Independent.

OFFICE TO CLEAN. ADDRESS: "OFFICE," 124 Ming street.

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A SUITE OF OFFICE ROOMS IN GOLD Block will be ready for occupancy on Nov. 1. Apply to James Sullivan, court house.

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FURNISHED ROOMS AT PORTER FLATS. Ewing street; entirely renovated and under new management. Call in basement or at Porter, Muth & Cox, Gold block.

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IN SUMS OF \$500 TO \$10,000 ON IMPROVED property in the city of Helena and on farms and ranches in Montana; money furnished for building purposes. H. B. Palmer, Gold Block, Helena.

MONEY TO LOAN UPON HELENA REAL estate upon reasonable terms. Apply to Edward C. Russell, room 6, Thompson block, Helena, Mont.

LARGE AMOUNTS OF MONEY TO LOAN on improved and unimproved city real estate and on ranches at low rates. C. F. Ellis & Co., insurance agents, real estate agents, mortgages loans.

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FOR RENT—BUSINESS HOUSES.

STOREROOMS IN PENN BLOCK. ALSO Storerooms and Offices in Pittsburg Block. Inquire of John W. Thompson, room 12, Pittsburg block.

THE IRON FRONT ON MAIN STREET, BEST hotel building in the city; 70 rooms, all outside and finished in oak. Call on Porter, Muth & Cox.

REWARDS OFFERED.

STRAYED—ONE LIGHT-COLORED THOROUGHBRED Jersey cow; the tip of one horn broke off, had a strap around the horns, no brand. Ten dollars will be paid for her return to the residence of the undersigned at 1239 Madison avenue.

MRS. M. H. KEEFE.

SITUATIONS—MISCELLANEOUS.

PAINTER, 2 PLUMBERS, a WAITER GIRLS, 3 lathers, 1 girl about 16 years old for family, Shannon's Employment & Collection Agency, Room 9, Galen Block.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

A PERSON WANTED TO TAKE AN INTEREST and assist in the management of developing a mine, and to start a store in a town of 300 inhabitants. No one hunting chances nor without three to five thousand dollars to invest need apply. Address Miner, Independent Office.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TO CORRESPOND WITH PARTIES WHO can furnish addresses of citizens residing in their localities, country, villages and towns under 10,000 population. Regarding price paid and other particulars, address Box 415, Topeka, Kansas.

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We Will have on Exhibition THIS WEEK the Finest and Most Exclusive Line of

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By your liberal patronage in the past we have been enabled to fit up the Largest and Handsomest Cloak Department in the Territory. This is no misstatement of Facts, but the Honest Truth, and every lover of Fine Goods and Parisian Novelties is invited to call and see that we are justified in saying what we do. For months back our store has been as a "saving fund" of Cloaks. All through June, July and August orders have been placed and lots have been purchased and held back until the fixed time came around.

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